1	2
1994-95	2912.70
1995-96	3323.78
1996-97	4097.46**

* Includes Forestry & Wild Life and Irrigation, Flood Control and Farakka Barrage.

** Rs. 900 crore for Acceleratged Irrigation Benefit Programme.

(d) and (e). The Ninth Plan is at formulation stage.

[English]

Allocations for Roads

4343. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the year-wise allocation made for the development and maintenance of roads in Allahabad district from the State funds during the Eighth Five Year Plan;

(b) the names of State road projects started during this period in Allahabad and in progress together with the financial allocation; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) to (c). The informaiton is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Capital Investment in Agriculture Sector

4344. SHRI LAKSHMAN SINGH : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether Prof. Hanuman Rao had submitted any report in regard to giving encouragement for the capital investment in the agriculture sector; and

(b) if so, the action being taken by the Government for its implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) and (b). Planning Commission has not constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Hanumantha Rao for capital investment in the agriculture sector.

[Translation]

Turamdih Project

4345. SHRI CHITRASEN SINKU : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Turamdih project of Uranium Corporation of India Limited in Sinhbhum district of Bihar has been closed down;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to revive this project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) and (b). A project for setting up uranium mines at Narwapahar and Turamdih and a mill at Turamdih were approved by the Government during April 1989 keeping in view of the requirement of fuel for the then projected nuclear power generation of 10,000 MWe by 2000 AD. Subsequently the nuclear power programme was revised during the VIII five year plan. The requirement of uranium for the revised power programme has also under-gone a change. In view of the revised requirement of uranium and the resources constraints, the Turamdih project has been closed.

(c) Does not arise.

Special Fund for Development of Hilly Areas

4346. SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT 'BACHDA' : Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government provide special central assistance for the development works of hilly areas in the country;

(b) if so, the date from which this assistance is being provided and the ratio thereof; and

(c) the State-wise details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH) : (a) to (c). Special Central Assistance is being provided from 5th Plan onwards for the designated hill areas under Hill Area Development Programme (HADP) and designated talukas under Western Ghats Development Programme (WGDP). The assistance is given on the basis of population and area with a weightage of 50 : 50 respectively under HADP and that of 25 : 75 respectively under WGDP. Statewise details are in the statement enclosed.